**Statement**

*Details of number of court cases relating to promotions filed by army officers*

| Year | Maj | Lt. Col. | Col. | Brig. | Maj. Gen. | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1987 | 7 | 9 | 2 | __ | | 18 |
| 1988 | 5 | 11 | 2 | 1 | __ | 19 |
| 1989 | 5 | 15 | 10 | 6 | 1 | 37 |
| 1990 | 14 | 15 | 13 | 3 | __ | 45 |
| 1991 | 4 | 15 | 10 | 1 | 1 | 31 |

*Details of number of cases decided in favour of the petitioners*

| Year | Maj. | Lt. Col. | Col. | Brig. | Maj. Col. | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 1 | 2 | | | | |
| 1987 | | | | | | |
| 1988 | 1 | 1 | — | -_ | __ | -2 |
| 1989 . | 1 | 2 | 1 | _ | — | 4 |
| 1990 | 1 | 1 | — | 1 | | 3 |
| 1991 | 1 | 1 | 3 | _ | — | 5 |

**Sale of F. Fighters by North Corporation of U.S.A. to India**

2336. SHRI BEKAL UTSAHI:
SHRI MURLIDHAR CHANDRAKANT BHANDARE;

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state.-

(a) whether it is a fact that the North Corporation, a US company has offered to-sell to India U.S. production assembly to manufacture F. 5. fighters and spare parts to replace old Soviet supplied MIG 21s;

(b) whether it is also a fact that certain western arms makers have offered to fill the military supply gap left by the Soviet Union with its break up;

(c) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(d) what is the decision, if any, taken by Government in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE' IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI S. KRISHNA KUMAR): (a) M/s. Northern Corporation of USA had offered F-5E aircraft to IAF.

(b) to (d) Offers, both solicited and unsolicited, continue to be received from time to time for the supply of Defence equipment from various manufacturers of eastern and western countries. Offers received from western sources are not linked with any gap in the military supply stated to have been caused by the break-up of the former USSR. All offers received are considered with reference to the Defence requirements of the country and appropriate decisions are taken. It will not be in the public interest to divulge the details of offers received and the decisions taken thereon.